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R.E. 3; Y.M.C.A. 0.

This League match played on the Military Ground, Happy Valley, on Boxing Day drew a good gathering of spectators, who witnessed a game full of incident but not of a very high standard of excellence. Winning the toss the Engineers soon exerted pressure, but the opposing defence was equal to emergencies. At length, however, Sterrie handled within the area and Coxon took the penalty kick, but without success, Atkins effecting a splendid save. Soon after this the Engineers were successful, Morrish finishing a capital conceived movement by scoring with a hot shot. Then for a time the Y.M.C.A. pressed, but could not get through; and half time came with the Engineers in possession of the only point scored.

On resuming the military set up a hot attack, but were not fortunate, and then the Y.M.C.A. tried their luck without success. The soldiers however, retreating, and were eventually successful in wearing their opponents down. The second goal was registered by Morrish, and soon after the third point was added. This completed all the scoring, and time came with the R.E. leading by three goals to none.

Lusitano 2; Boys Own 1.

On Saturday the Lusitano played the Boys Own Club in very favourable weather although the Boys opened with a strong wind blowing against them. From the kick-off the Boys pressed and soon secured their first goal in the League. After this the Lusitano seemed to lose their patience and right up to half-time played rather a rough game. On resuming play the Boys took things too easy and from a high shot the Lusitano made things even. The Boys then rushed, but play was not of the best and the referee passed over many fouls. A shot was put in which struck the goal-keeper while inside the goal but the referee disallowed the point. After this Lusitano got the ball and rushed it right into the goal. This put them ahead and up to time they kept the lead.

Football Notes.

There is very little material for comment this week-end. Only two League games were played—Y.M.C.A. and R.E., and the other in which the Lusitano faced the Boys Own Club.

Still, there was something of a surprise registered when the Engineers overcame their opponents by three clear goals. So far this season the Y.M.C.A. have been giving us very variable form, and unless they see to the weak spots of the team and properly patch them up they will have some difficulty in keeping among the leading sides.

The R.E. always play good sound football and recent happenings seem to lean towards the possibility of this team and the Boys making a tough tussle for top berth in the League. Of course, the R.E. will have to be taken into account as well. Anyhow, there will certainly be some interesting contests ahead.

Not a great deal of importance attached to the game between the Lusitano and the Boys' Own. However, it was interesting to observe these sides fighting to avoid being "Wooden spoons," and with a slice of luck the Boys' Own might have gained their first victory. But perhaps that's reserved until the next meeting of the teams.

The match between the B.O.C. and the Lusitano Club was not productive of very high-class football; indeed the game as far as football was concerned was a very poor one. For the greater part of the first half it was with difficulty that the ball was kept in the field of play owing to a fairly stiff breeze blowing, yet this could have been materially avoided had the Lusitano eleven adopted the same precautions as their opponents who kept the ball low down. The Lusitano have a tendency for skying the ball and would do much better and achieve better results if they would bear in mind to keep the ball lower.

The Boys Own, the junior league team, are settling down remarkably well and although they have not the advantage in height and build as the Lusitano players have there is not the shadow of a doubt that they are the superior team as regards playing the game. The Lusitano forwards were very weak and despite the disadvantage of the strong wind they gave on the impression of being one-sided. Their left wing men were the most powerful and it would have made a great difference to the first half of the game if they had been placed on the opposite wing. Morrish and Remedio were frequently conspicuous for the Boys Own, in some smart work, while Ribeiro for the Lusitano was also very energetic.

Better play was witnessed during the second half which was productive of two goals for the Lusitano, Cordeiro and Soares working splendidly, and it was mainly through their efforts, combined with those of Ribeiro, that enabled the Lusitano to obtain the narrow margin of one goal over the Boys Own.

The League.

The League table shows but little alteration from last week owing to their being only two league matches played. The Royal Engineers still maintain their position at the top of the table, having added two points to their total of 5, while the Y.M.C.A. both in goal average and points remain stationary, having suffered defeat at the hands of the Royal Engineers. The Lusitano won their first match against the Boys Own while the latter club have not won a match yet and have the highest number of goals scored against them. Nevertheless the Boys Own are improving greatly and should it be their misfortune to find themselves at the bottom of the League at the end of the season, it is certain that their connection with the League will be beneficial to them for next season, as in fact this can truthfully be said of all the teams.

The League Table now stands as follows:

Team	Goals	Points
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PRINCE TSIN RESTORED TO OFFICE.

(Wah Tsai To's Service.)

PEKING, December 27.

Chang Chih Tung and Yuan Shi-kai jointly recommended that Prince Tsin, eldest son of Prince Ching, be restored to office as he is very capable for the position. The Prince Regent has agreed to this.

[RUSSIAN SERVICE.]

FRANCE.

LONDON, December 24.

The French Chamber has voted the Bill for the increase of the artillery.

RUSSIA AND AUSTRIA.

LONDON, December 24.

M. Lavolky has issued a note to the Powers, in which he refers to the Austrian proposal for a preliminary exchange of the views of the Cabinets regarding the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina; the note points out that the principal difficulty hitherto has been the divergence of Austro-Russian views. Russia was unable to agree to the suggestion that the conference should merely confirm any Austro-Turkish agreement, and the conference must define the new situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Austria's new proposal involves considerable inconvenience, but Russia desiring to be conciliatory is not disposed to object to it.

STUDENT RIOTS IN PARIS.

LONDON, December 25.

There have been riots in Paris by the medical students, who protest against the new examination rules. The Republican Guards charged the rioters, and many were injured.

COST OF THE BATTLESHIP CRUISE.

LONDON, December 25.

The cost of the cruise of the American battleships is £10,000,000, the coal alone costing £5,000,000.

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Venezuela has resumed friendly relations with Colombia. President Castro, interviewed, said he would not hamper the new Government from settling the country's disagreements with foreign nations, even though it involved his own withdrawal from activity.

THE RIOTS IN PARIS.

LONDON, December 26.

Fifty two police and Republican Guards were injured during the recent riots, fifty six of the rioters will be prosecuted.

ASSAULT ON PRESIDENT FALLIERES.

LONDON, December 26.

While walking in the morning in Paris, with his secretary and A. D. C., President Fallieres was seized by the neck by a waiter named Mattis who tried to pull the President's beard. Mattis was arrested. He is supposed to be a Royalist. He grappled with the President and rolled him on the ground. President Fallieres, whose ear was scratched and stick broken, proceeded with his walk and lunched with his usual appetite.

THE RECENT RIOTS IN PARIS.

LONDON, December 26.

The unpopular medical examination has been withdrawn and M. Clemenceau has censured the chief of police for introducing police into the examination hall simulating candidates.

RUSSIA.

LONDON, December 26.

The Duma has adopted a resolution warmly sympathising with the kindred Slav peoples, and hoping that the Government will safeguard their interests.

Eight powerful tribes of aborigines in north Formosa, whose supplies had been cut off for months, surrendered recently, delivering up 151 heads and 120 rifles.

CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY IN SOUTH AFRICA.

MRS. Schneider, of Johannesburg, O. F. S., is very grateful to the manufacturer of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He has found that it cures his children as well himself of colds, coughs, and croup. They were all coughing and got no relief until this remedy was used. Many parents have made this same discovery. There is nothing better for coughs, colds and croup. It contains no injurious substances and is so delicious in flavor that the children love to take it. For sale by all chemists and stores.

NORMAL CONDITIONS RESTORED.

A Gazette Extraordinary published to-day states that His Excellency the Governor being satisfied that it is no longer necessary for the preservation of the public peace to continue in force the Proclamation issued under the authority of the Peace Preservation Ordinance, 1886, which was published in the Government Gazette Extraordinary of November 3rd, 1902, has been pleased to direct that the said Proclamation should be cancelled.

PULPIT ECHOES.

On Sunday the Rev. C. H. Hickling preached at the Union Church on the incident of the three wise men seeking the Messiah. "The King of Judea was troubled," said the rev. preacher. "Notwithstanding his cleverness and craft he got no satisfaction out of the wise men. Possibly we may know better. Reported to be Kings, we knew them as Truthseekers, and as Cromwell said to his daughter, 'To be a Truthseeker is to be one of the best sort next to a truthfinder.'"

All Truth is worth having and therefore worth seeking. John Locke said, "The way to get knowledge is to ask questions." A wiser Person still has said, "Ask, and you shall find." The cure for doubt is not a hoodwink, but a microscope or a telescope. "Eureka!" cried Archimedes over a certain mathematical discovery. In all the world there is no pursuit so ennobling and so gladdening as the pursuit of Truth. The higher the Truth sought, the greater the uplift of the seeker. Lord Bacon said: "It is a pleasure to stand upon the shore and see ships tossing far away upon the sea; but no pleasure is comparable to the standing upon the vantage-ground of Truth and beholding spiritual things." To know God is eternal life.

God helps every man who earnestly desires to solve the problem of destiny. To these wise men He gave the guiding constellation. How this came about I do not know. But somehow God gave what to these men was the signal of the great event to which their world was moving. A butcher's boy went singing ribald songs about the streets of Nottingham. His zeal for knowledge took him to Cambridge University where he distinguished himself as a reviler of Christ. God drew him to Himself through the Christ. In gratitude he, Henry Kirke White, wrote:—

"Once on the raging seas I rode;
The storm was loud, the night was dark,
The ocean yawned, and rudely blowed
The wind that tossed my foundering bark.
Deep horror then my rials froze;
Death struck, I ceased the tide to stem,
When suddenly a star arose;
It was the Star of Bethlehem!

It was my guide, my light, my all;
It bade my dark forebodings cease,
And through the storm and danger's thrall
It led me to the port of peace.
Now sadly mused, my perils o'er,
I'll sing, first in night's dim gleam,
For ever and for evermore,
The Star, the Star of Bethlehem!"

God never yet left a man in the lurch who began sincerely to desire to solve the problem of destiny.

"They found a child. Was that all? Ay, all, everything! In this child all the streams of prophecy converge. From this child radiate all the glowing lines of history. As Dr. Durrell put it, 'This cottage is the centre of the world.' Are you, friend, seeking the Truth? Follow your Star. Listen when God speaks, whatever instrument He may use, megaphone or any other. It is easy to quench all lights, to turn a deaf ear to all voices; but give heed. Press on. You shall be satisfied. When you have found the Truth commit your best, yourself to it. Offer to God in Christ a living sacrifice. Nothing is too good for God. Rejoicing His Joy will be your strength."

CHRISTMAS AT THE S. AND S. HOME.

The manager and his volunteer workers, decorated the S. and S. Home with evergreens and with many flags, making the meeting, dining and billiard rooms of the Institution look very attractive. On Christmas Day, at five o'clock, a substantial Christmas dinner was provided for a number of men, and about thirty availed themselves of the arrangements. As they were all men well-known to one another, both from the Navy and the Army, and were off duty for the evening, they spent a very happy time. The party did not break up till after midnight. On the evening of Boxing Day a ten, embracing wider possibilities in regard to numbers, was arranged. This was well patronized. About one hundred and twenty sat down, and the tables were crowded. Mrs. Brown, and Mrs. Bone did the honours and were assisted as usual by a goodly number of willing volunteers. After tea a concert was arranged, which was piloted by Gunner Harper. Three good readings were provided. The Chaplain, who presided, spoke a few words at the close, and hearty thanks were given to all who had taken so much pains, and had given their time to make a pleasant evening for those who are glad to get away from ship and barracks at the festive season, that they may meet friends, and spend the hours in a way that reminds them of other days in other lands.

In the early hours of Saturday morning thieves entered the Robinson Piano Co., Ltd., gaining access to the premises by breaking a pane of glass in the Day Room. They stole one hundred Chinese gramophone records valued at \$120. An attempt was also made to break into Messrs. Dill Brothers in Wyndham Street, but the burglar was frustrated.

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SPORTING.

Cricket.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB v. UNITED SERVICES.

This two days match commenced on Christmas day and part of the scores appeared in our issue of Saturday.

The following are the full scores:—

UNITED SERVICES—1st INNINGS.
Sergeant-Major Power, b R. Hancock ... 2
Capt. Beasley, b Turner ... 42
Capt. Murray, c Day, b R. Hancock ... 4
Private White, c Makin, b Peake ... 14
Lt. Haughton, b Turner ... 30
Capt. Baird, c Hancock, b Peake ... 30
Lt. Green, c Hutchinson, b Turner ... 8
Capt. Garnett, c Makin, b Hancock ... 18
Lt. Bagnall, not out ... 20
Lt. Innes, b Peake ... 0
Lt. Lippmann, c Turner, b Peake ... 1
Extras ... 7
Total ... 192

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
A. W. J. Peake ... 5 ... 16 ... 1
H. Hancock ... 13 ... 59 ... 3
H. R. Makin ... 5 ... 28 ... 3
T. E. Peake ... 11 ... 28 ... 3
A. H. Young ... 3 ... 18 ... 0
W. O. D. Turner ... 10 ... 49 ... 3
R. O. Hutchinson ... 4 ... 11 ... 0

2nd INNINGS.
R. Hancock, c Bagnall, b Garnett ... 32
T. E. Peake, b Garnett ... 68
W. O. D. Turner, b Garnett ... 12
A. E. Lanning, b Bagnall ... 10
Lt. O. Hutchinson, c Green, b Garnett ... 1
K. W. Day, c Lippmann, b Bagnall ... 1
H. Hancock, b Bagnall ... 0
A. A. Claxton, b W. b Bagnall ... 5
H. R. Makin, c and b Garnett ... 5
A. H. Young, c and b Garnett ... 0
A. W. J. Peake, c and b Garnett ... 0
Extras ... 11
Total ... 154

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Capt. Baird ... 14 ... 5 ... 41
P. J. White ... 8 ... 1 ... 31
Lt. Lippmann ... 8 ... 2 ... 21
Capt. Garnett ... 14 ... 2 ... 37
Bagnall ... 6 ... 2 ... 12

UNITED SERVICES—2nd INNINGS.
Capt. Murray, c Young, b R. Hancock ... 10
Lt. Bagnall, b Peake ... 23
Capt. Beasley, not out ... 8
Capt. Garnett, c Hutchinson, b Peake ... 8
Lt. Haughton, c Claxton, b Peake ... 0
Capt. Baird, c and b R. Hancock ... 9
Lt. Green, c Peake, b Peake ... 18
H. Hancock, b Bagnall ... 0
Lt. Innes, c Makin, b Peake ... 0
Sergeant-Major Power, b Peake ... 17
Private White, c Peake, b Peake ... 0
Lt. Lippmann, b Peake ... 0
Extras ... 8
Total ... 94

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
Peake ... 15 ... 40 ... 8
R. Hancock ... 14 ... 46 ... 2

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB v. UNITED SERVICES.

The officers of the Buffs played a match with the 105th M.L.I. XI on December 24. The scores were:—

105th M.L.I.
Lieut. Haughton, c Green, b Baird ... 24
Laxman Mendis, b Baird ... 11
Major Grace, b Baird ... 1
Major Khan, b Anderson ... 32
Lieut. Balderson, b Baird ... 3
Lieut. Richardson, b Anderson ... 0
Lieut. Fyrie, c Green, b Anderson ... 14
Jemr. Sayed Salaman, not out ... 43
Jaffer Khan, not out ... 1
Jemr. Gulab Khan, b Baird ... 1
Extras ... 9
Total ... 143

THE BUFFS (OPTIONAL).
Lieut. Col. Bayard, c Chitty, b Laxman ... 2
Lieut. Green, b Balderson, b Richardson ... 124
Lieut. Anderson, b Laxman ... 0
Lieut. Tunee, c and b Laxman ... 0
Lieut. Studd, b Richardson ... 43
Capt. Baird, not out ... 0
Lieut. Still, b Richardson ... 0
Capt. Richardson, c Jaffer Khan, b ... 36
Capt. Raine, b Laxman ... 2
Lieut. Davidson, b Richardson ... 0
Extras ... 12
Total ... 211

105th MAHARATTA LIGHT INFANTRY v. KOWLOON.

An interesting match was played between these two teams on Saturday when Kowloon was defeated by 196 runs to 171. The scores were:—

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.
A. Gregory, b Laxman ... 0
Baird, b Laxman ... 7
Jaffer, b Laxman ... 3
Edwards, b Richardson, b Manji ... 83
Mead, c Richardson, b Chitty ... 8
Robinson, c Grace, b Laxman ... 14
Brewer, b Balderson, b Salaman ... 23
McLennan, c Kennedy, b Chitty ... 12
McKenzie, c Laxman, b Chitty ... 12
Lee, not out ... 7
Extras ... 7
Total ... 171

A fine of \$30 was imposed by Commissioner Basil Taylor, R.N., at the Marine Court to-day, on a boatman for carrying 12 persons in excess of the number allowed by his licence boat licence.

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Kondaji Boda, run out ... 3
Lakshman Mendis, b Brewer ... 32
Jemadar Sayed Salaman, b Edwards ... 18
Major White, c Lee, b Brewer ... 39
Lt. Richardson, b McKenzie ... 47
Major Grace, c and b Edwards ... 0
Lt. Balderson, b Brewer ... 13
Lt. Weaver, not out ... 47
Jemadar Gulab Khan, c and b Brewer ... 1
Hadr. Baba Rana, not out ... 61
Manji Palande, did not bat ... 0
Extras ... 25
Total (for 8 wickets) ... 254

PARRIS v. ORIGINATOR 'A' TEAM.
Played on Saturday and won by the former Club. Scores:—

ORIGINATOR 'A' TEAM.
Osman, b Pestonji ... 4
Phillips, b Pestonji ... 0
Curry, b Pestonji ... 39
Manderson, b Pestonji ... 0
Pestonji, not out ... 2
Pestonji, not out ... 2
Drude, c Tata, b Pestonji ... 0
Davison, b Pestonji ... 0
Crew, b Pestonji ... 0
Rose, b Pestonji ... 0
Extras ... 9
Total ... 77

PARRIS v. C. C.
Batiwara, c Manderson, b Curry ... 0
Hoggarth, c Pestonji, b Stewart ... 16
Bejonji, c Crew, b Phillips ... 14
Norris, b Phillips ... 2
Pestonji, c and b Hancock ... 17
Ching, b Manderson ... 1
Tata, c Stewart, b Hancock ... 1
Girvanee, not out ... 11
Hira, b Hancock ... 2
Bapiwala, c Curry, b Hancock ... 3
Mowewalla, b Hancock ... 2
Total ... 7

Extras ... 94

BUFFS' OFFICERS v. R. G. A.

A cricket match between the R. G. A. and the officers of the Buffs will take place on the ground of the Hongkong Cricket Club on Wednesday, commencing at 11 a.m. The officers of the R. G. A. will be "At Home" to their friends during the afternoon. The following will represent the R. G. A.:—Col. Chamer, Captains Briscoe, Dwyer, Watson, Garnett, Beasley, Lieutenanta Croose, Bagnall, Thompson, Thickness and Chapman.

MOORE'S R. G. A. BOYS OWN.

In a friendly encounter with the Modern Recreation Club the Boys Own Club defeated them by two runs and three wickets.

MACAO.

(From Our Own Correspondent).
MACAO, December 25.

CHRISTMAS AT MACAO.

Murky days and Yule-tide make an incongruous blend, but happily the spirit damping pressure which prevailed gave way to a flood of sunshine which greeted us on Christmas morning with all the genial radiance of May. At the Cathedral on Thursday, the 24th inst., a solemn pontifical service was celebrated at midnight. His Lordship the Bishop of Macao, D. Joao Paulino, officiated, assisted by the leading clergy, and it was well on 2 a.m. before the ceremony ended. The attendance, however, was very sparse and the Chinese element predominated. At the time-honoured Church of San Lázaro, which is the pious resort of the native Roman Catholics, the foreign population thronged to overflowing and a very scant portion of its wonted devotions was visible. His Excellency the Governor Senhor Rosado in company with his family and attended by his staff assisted at the High Mass which was sung by the Chinese pupils of St. Xavier's School, relieved at intervals by the brass and strings of the same institution. Most of the leading civil and military officials, and prominent residents with their families were present. At the close of the Divine service the din of fireworks round and round the neighbourhood added a note of light merriment to the general solemnity which reigned as the crowds wended their way home to supper.

At the theatre D. Pedro V. on Saturday, a dramatic evening at which we were well entertained by a clever little group of versatile artists from the local profession, earned the hearty applause of a well-filled house as well as a substantial addition to the success fund on behalf of the widow of the late foreman Carlos Machado of the P. W. D.

On Sunday morning at 9.30 a.m. a solemn Divine service was celebrated by His Lordship the Bishop of Macao in commemoration of the 7th anniversary of his episcopal investiture and the number of the assistants at the Cathedral who listened to his touching address and bowed to his blessing testified to the love and reverence in which the good prelate is held.

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NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE.

FOR KUDAT & SANDAKAN,
Taking Cargo at Through Rates to
TAWAU, LAHAD DATU, LABUAN,
JOLO & MENADO.

THE Steamship **BORNEO**,
Capt. F. SEMMLER, (ready to load on
Monday, a.m.), will leave on TUESDAY,
the 29th inst., at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELOHRS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 21, 1908. 1710

UNITED STATES & CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE.

FOR NEW YORK AND BOSTON, via
SUZ CANAL.
(With Liberty to Call at the Malabar Coast.)

THE Steamship **INDRAWADI**,
Capt. WILLIAMS, will be despatched as
above on TUESDAY, the 6th January,
1909.
For Freight, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 12, 1908. 1677



FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA,
INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITER-
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AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATA-
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SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship **ASSAYE**, Captain
C. L. DANIEL, carrying His
Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from
this for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY,
the 9th January, 1909, at Noon, taking Pas-
sengers and Cargo for the above ports in
connection with the Company's Steamship
Judea, 8,000 tons, from Colombo, Pas-
sengers' accommodation in which vessel is
secured before departure from Hongkong.
Silk and Valuable, all Cargo for France,
and for London (under arrangement) will
be transhipped to the Company's Steamship
proceeding to Marseilles and
London; other cargo for London, &c., will
be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S.
Persia, due in London on the 20th Feb.,
1909.
Parcels will be received at this Office
until 4 p.m. the day before sailing.
The contents and value of all packages are
required.
For further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, December 26, 1908. 1730

• SHIRE' LINE OF STEAMERS,
LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, ANTWERP AND
HAMBURG.

THE Steamship **CARNARVONSHIRE**,
Capt. J. J. DANIEL, carrying His
Majesty's Mail, will be despatched for the above ports
about end of January, 1909.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 24, 1908. 1726

LABUAN COAL.

THE LABUAN COALFIELDS COM-
PANY, LD., are now prepared to
supply steamers at LABUAN with good
quality LABUAN COAL, double
screened and straight from the mines.
For further particulars, apply to
BRADLEY & CO.,
Agents.
Telegraphic Address: "LABUR LABUAN,"
Hongkong, February 10, 1908. 228

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship **Arratoon**, after having
arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo
are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from along-
side the ship, and are to be landed at once at Consignees' risk
and expense. Cargo remaining on board
after 4 p.m. of the 24th inst., will be landed
at Consignees' risk and expense.
Consignees of cargo from Singapore
are requested to take immediate deliv-
ery of their Goods from along-side,
such Cargo impeding the discharge of the
Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-
signees' risk and expense.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
the Undersigned.
DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 23, 1908. 1717

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANT-
WERP, LONDON, COLOMBO
AND SINGAPORE.

THE Co.'s Steamship **Sanki Maru**,
having arrived from the above Ports,
Consignees of cargo are hereby in-
formed that their Goods are being landed
and placed at their risk in the Godowns
of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON
WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S
Godowns at Kowloon, where each consign-
ment will be sorted out mark by mark and
delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.
Optional Goods will be carried on unless
instructions are given to the contrary be-
fore Noon To-day.
Goods not cleared before the 31st Dec.,
will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Con-
signees and the Co.'s representatives at an
appointed hour. All claims must be pre-
sented within seven days of the steamer's
arrival here, after which date they cannot
be recognized. No claims will be admitted
after the goods have left the Godowns.
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Agents.
Hongkong, December 24, 1908. 1722

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND
SHANGHAI.

THE Co.'s Steamship **E. Franz Ferdinand**
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo
are hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed at their risk in the Godowns
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Agents.
Hongkong, December 24, 1908. 1722

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER SUNDIA.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA,
PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above
steamer are hereby informed that their
Goods are being landed and placed at
their risk in the HONGKONG AND
KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S
Godowns at Kowloon where each consign-
ment will be sorted out mark by mark,
and delivery can be obtained as soon as
the Goods are landed.
Optional Goods will be landed here un-
less instructions are given to the contrary
before 6 Hours.
Goods not cleared by the 29th inst. at
4 p.m. will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me
in any case whatever.
Damaged packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Con-
signees and the Company's representative
at an appointed hour. All claims must be
presented within ten days of the steamer's
arrival here, after which date they cannot
be recognized. No claims will be admitted
after the goods have left the Godowns.
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, December 21, 1908. 1711

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

THE
**OCEAN STEAMSHIP
CO., LTD.**
AND
**THE CHINA MUTUAL
STEAM NAVIGATION
CO., LTD.**

Notice to Consignees.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo ex
THE OCEAN STEAMSHIP
AND THE CHINA MUTUAL
NAVIGATION COMPANIES' steam-
ers are hereby notified that
on and after 1st JANUARY,
1909, all cargo ex these steamers
will be landed into **HOLT'S
WHARF, KOWLOON**, which
will be open from that date to
receive and store cargo.
For Storage Rates and other particulars
apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS:
THE OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.
**THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM
NAV. CO., LTD.**
HOLT'S WHARF.
Hongkong, December 14, 1908. 1682

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S
STEAMER **ASSAYE**.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above
named Vessel are hereby informed
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and placed at their risk in the HONGKONG AND
KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S
Godowns at Kowloon, where each consign-
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This Vessel brings on Cargo—
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E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, December 24, 1908. 1725

SHIRE' LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

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FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP,
MIDDLESBOROUGH, LONDON
AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship **CARNARVONSHIRE**,
Capt. J. J. DANIEL, carrying His
Majesty's Mail, will be despatched for the above ports
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Agents.
Hongkong, December 24, 1908. 1726

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London
ex s.s. *Charente* and *Malapou*, from
Havre ex s.s. *Charente* and *Malapou*, from
Bordeaux ex s.s. *Charente* and *Malapou*, in
connection with the above Steamer, are hereby
informed that their Goods, with the ex-
ception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables,
are being landed and stored at their risk
into the Godowns and/or extra hazar-
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LOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, Ltd.,
at Kowloon, whence delivery may be ob-
tained immediately after landing.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless
instruction is received from the Consignee
before 6 p.m. To-day, requesting it to be
landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
the undersigned, Goods remaining undeliv-
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Noon, will be subject to rent and landing
charges.
All Claims must be sent in to me on or
before the 29th December, or they will not
be recognized.
All damaged packages will be examined
on TUESDAY, the 29th December, at
8 p.m.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
P. NALIN,
Agent.
Hongkong, December 22, 1908. 1714

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMER **TOKIN.**
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London
ex s.s. *Charente* and *Malapou*, from
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COMMERCIAL.

YARN.

Messrs. Phillips & Co.'s Yarn Market report dated December 24 states:—Our last circular was dated the 11th inst. Owing to the approach of the Chinese New Year and preparations for the closing of the year's accounts by natives prior to the customary closure into the interior for the festive season, business has slackened down to very small proportions. The tone of the market, however, must not be measured by the volume of settlements. Steadiness has been the salient feature of the past fortnight's market. Low silver exchange renders operations on the part of importers, at current low ruling rates, unremunerative. As dealers and importers' ideas regarding prices do not coincide, it is reported natives have been trading between themselves, stocks of former purchases changing hands in consequence. The slow clearances are not surprising for this time of year. Prospects are promising, and there is every confidence that markets will be re-vitalized as soon as the Chinese New Year holidays are over. The prevailing conditions—both financial and political in the consuming districts hold out every hope that inquiries will lead to a further stimulation in the yarn market as soon as business resumes its normal course. No. 20s—Selected threads found buyers at an advance of \$1 per bale. No. 16s—Only one Mills Yarn changed hands at current price. No. 12s and 10s—Tiffle business reported. No. 8s and 6s—Nothing doing. Market closes steady. Sales—100 bales of No. 10s, 50 bales of No. 12s, 100 bales of No. 16s, and 600 bales of No. 20s, in all about 850 bales. Arrivals—For steamers Delta, Totomi Maru, Katsunaga, Persia, Laisang, Yotomaru Maru and A. Apar of about 9,000 bales. Unsold Stock—About 17,000 bales. Unsold Stock—About 14,000 bales.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—On the 23rd at 11.55 a.m.—The depression moving away from the coast, leaving to the E.N.E. of the Islands, and the barometer has risen considerably in S. Japan. Pressure has increased slightly in S. China and given way moderately in N. China. Another depression is probably advancing towards Manchuria from the Westward. Pressure is highest over the Yangtze Valley. Fresh to moderate monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and strong monsoon over the N. part of the China Sea. Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches. Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow:—

FORECAST DISTRICT:—

- 1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: N. N. winds, fresh to moderate; fine.
- 2.—Formosa Channel, Same as No. 1.
- 3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lantau: Same as No. 1.
- 4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, Same as No. 1.

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Hongkong, December 23, 1908. 1744

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

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GEORGE P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, December 23, 1908. 1748

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTES FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship SYDNEY, Captain Remy, will be despatched for the above ports on or about MONDAY, the 4th January, 1909.

A. NALIN, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, December 23, 1908. 1747

AUSTRIAN NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ AND PORT SAID.

(Taking Cargo, at through rates to the BRAZILS, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE AND ADRIATIC PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship Captain Barzani, will be despatched for the above ports on or about WEDNESDAY, the 20th January, 1909.

The Steamship has capital accommodation for passengers, Electric Light and carries a Doctor.

For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SANDER, WIELER & CO., Agents.

Prince's Buildings, Hongkong, December 23, 1908. 1749

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Mails will Close:—

For HONGKONG & HANGHONG, Per Hupai, at 9 a.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd Dec.

For KUPAT & SANDAKAN, Per Hupai, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd Dec.

For SINGAPORE, Per Sui, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd Dec.

For SWATOW, AMOY & POOCHOW, Per Sui, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd Dec.

For STRAITS & COLOMBO, Per Sui, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd Dec.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA, Per Sui, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd Dec.

For MAOAO, Per Sui, at 1.15 p.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd Dec.

For MANILA, Per Sui, at 2 p.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd Dec.

For SHANGHAI, Per Sui, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd Dec.

For CHEFOO & DALNY, Per Sui, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd Dec.

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For SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI, Per Sui, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd Dec.

For MOI, Per Sui, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd Dec.

For KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, TACOMA, VANCOUVER & SEATTLE, Per Sui, at 4 p.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd Dec.

For SINGAPORE & COLOMBO, Per Sui, at 4 p.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd Dec.

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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

December 23.

Benarich, British steamer, 2,146, A. Webster, London and Singapore Dec. 15, General. Guss, Livingston & Co.

Hepha, German steamer, 771, J. Jensen, Quinhao, Tourane and Hanoi December 25, General. JENSEN & CO.

December 27.

Itaiton, British str., 1,133, J. S. Roach, Swatow December 26, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.

Shimano Maru, Japanese str., 3,980, K. Kawata, Seattle and Shanghai Dec. 24, Floor, &c.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Moynne, British steamer, 4,615, J. Milne, Shanghai Dec. 24, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Scandia, German steamer, 4,509, W. V. Dohren, Shanghai December 24, General.—HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE.

Protea, Norwegian steamer, 1,024, Carl Moller, Chinkiang Dec. 22, Rice and Beans.—AAGAARD, THOMSEN & CO.

Lundat Schiff, German str., 1,013, M. Steuere, Tientsin December 21, Rohl.—STREUSER & CO.

Loongang, British steamer, 1,092, S. J. Payne, Manila December 24, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.

Orange Branch, British str., 2,197, J. McCalland, Sydney Nov. 27, Steepers and General.—DUNNELL & CO., Ltd.

December 28.

Kwongang, British steamer, 1,428, W. Palmer, Boker, Shanghai and Swatow Dec. 24, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.

Daiyu Maru, Japanese steamer, 380, J. Sakurai, Tamsui, via Amoy and Swatow Dec. 27, General.—O. S. K.

Lian, British str., 1,351, C. C. Williams, Wuhu, Chinkiang and Shanghai Dec. 24, Rice.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Asia, British steamer, 2,936, Harry Gaisner, San Francisco Nov. 24, and Manila Dec. 26, Mails and General.—P. M. S. Co.

Tokushima Maru, Japanese str., 3,000, A. Moller, Moji Dec. 22, General and Coal.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Watching, British str., 1,170, W. R. Richard, Chinkiang Dec. 24, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.

Phoenicia, British str., 1,063, J. H. Scott, Saigon Dec. 23, General.—CHINA M. S. Co.

Hansa, German str., 1,000, J. H. Scott, Saigon Dec. 23, General.—CHINA M. S. Co.

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